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Examiner Schnizer:

Draft of Proposed Claim Amendments attached. Please call me at (212) 596-9041 should these be finalized into a Supplemental Amendment.

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A003USCLAIMS

1. (Five Times Amended) A substantially [purified] pure nucleic acid comprising consecutive nucleotides that encode a human TRELL polypeptide, wherein said TRELL polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

10. (Three Times Amended) A method for producing substantially pure TRELL comprising the steps of culturing the host cell of claim 8 and isolating TRELL from said transformed host cell to obtain substantially [purified] pure TRELL.

28. (Four Times Amended) A method of expressing a TRELL polypeptide in an animal cell culture comprising:

introducing a vector comprising a nucleic acid molecule having consecutive nucleotides that encode said TRELL polypeptide into said cell culture, wherein said TRELL polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4, or a soluble fragment thereof that is capable of binding to a cell selected from the group consisting of:

- a) a K562 promyelocytic cell;
- b) a THP-1 monocytic leukemia cell;
- c) an HT29 colon adenocarcinoma cell;
- d) a 293 embryonic kidney cell; and
- e) a Cos kidney fibroblast cell; and

allowing said cell culture to live under conditions wherein said nucleic acid molecule is expressed in said cell culture.

47. (Amended) The [mammalian] host cell of claim 46, wherein said mammalian cell is a human cell.

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anticipated by
any TNF family
member in the
prior art b/c
"a soluble fragment"
is a single polypeptide
chain bounded by a transmembrane